



A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Sunday, July 14 celebrated the opening of the new Beach Access Walkway which leads from the parking lot at the east end of Powder Pt. Bridge to Duxbury Beach. L-r: Pat Randall, Eleanor Murray, Joseph Shea, David Hall of the Massachusetts Office on Disabilities, John Nash of the Duxbury Beach Committee and Duxbury Beach Reservation, Inc., Patty Christoforo of the Duxbury Municipal Commission on Disabilities, and Assistant Harbormaster Peter Smey who coordinated the walkway project.

Photo by Fran Nichols



The new handicap access walkway on Duxbury Beach which opened on Sunday, July 14 is the result of cooperation of the Duxbury Beach Reservation and the Town of Duxbury (Municipal Commission on Disabilities and the Harbormaster Department).

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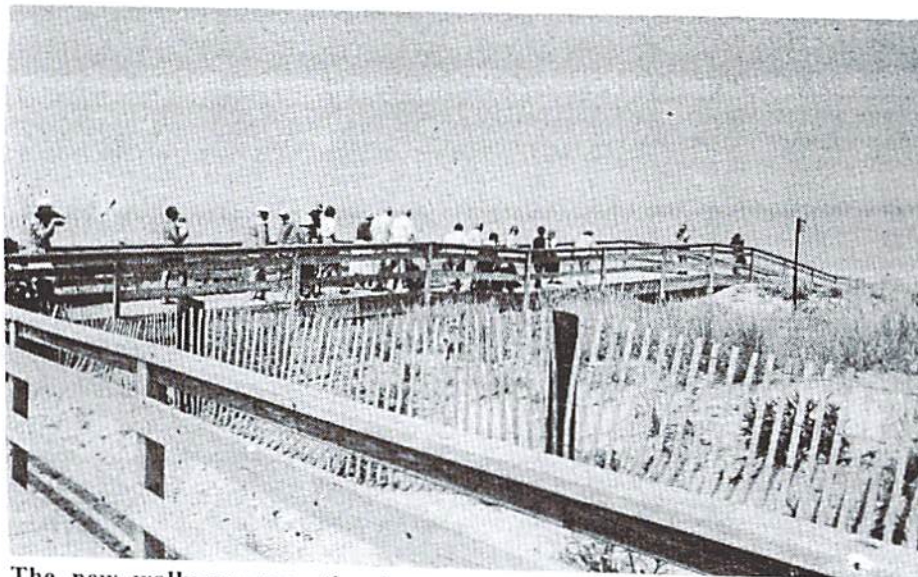
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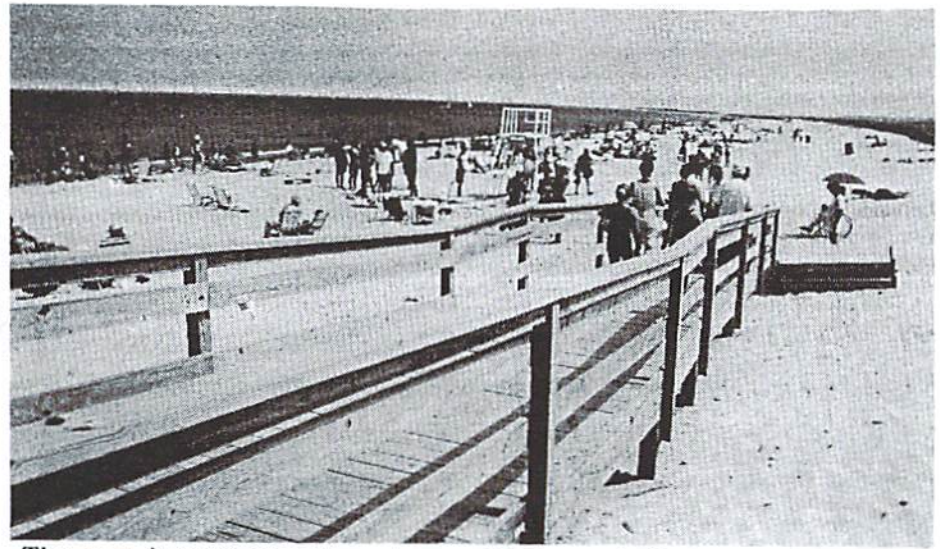
Selectman Margaret Kearney holds the microphone for David Hall of the Massachusetts Office on Disabilities as he speaks during the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Duxbury's new beach access ramp.



Rep. Fran Marini speaks at the ribbon cutting ceremony for Duxbury's recently opened beach access walkway. Marini congratulated the entire community for a remarkable accomplishment and "what we can do when we work together."



The new walkway over the dunes on Duxbury Beach is the result of the cooperative efforts by the Duxbury Beach Reservation and the Town of Duxbury. In addition, a handicapped accessible ramp and restroom are open and are available at the Beach Pavilion.



The new \$65,000 Handicap Access Walkway, built by J. Biotti, Inc. of Newton allows equal access to Duxbury Beach for the elderly and the disabled. The ramp is complete, except handrails, non-slip surface and the installation of a platform at the east end.



Peter Smey (center) looks on as Bernadette Niedermann tries out the new surf chair.



A great turnout greeted the opening of the new Handicap Access Walkway on Duxbury Beach. The festivities were supported by donations from A&P, Dunkin Donuts, Petals Florist, and the Wetlands Committee. The yellow and blue surf chair, donated by the Daughty-Kerle family in memory of Jeffrey Daughty, is a special chair designed to enable those with disabilities to enjoy a dip in the ocean. Although surf chairs are costly, it is hoped that future donations will make more chairs of this type available for use on Duxbury Beach.



Eleanor Murray and Pat Randall of the Disabilities Commission were on hand for the ceremonies which opened the new Handicap Access Walkway on Duxbury Beach.



Patty Christoforo of the Duxbury Municipal Commission on Disabilities spoke at the ceremony.



Peggy Scorza of Channel 28 tapes the ceremony which marked the official opening of the new beach access ramp on Duxbury Beach.